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Late vehicle registration fees to be waived for stored vehicles

Lansing – Sen. Ron Jelinek, R-Three Oaks, introduced legislation to waive late registration fees for vehicles that were not in use when the registration renewal came due.

Senate Bill 1192 is in response to complaints of late fees being assessed by the Secretary of State for drivers that miss their registration deadlines because their vehicles are in storage. The vehicles still had comprehensive insurance and were not being driven illegally because they were in storage.

"These drivers have been responsible and kept up on insurance yet they are still being assessed late charges for their seasonal vehicles," Jelinek said. "We should not punish these drivers for storing their cars over the winter."

SB 1192 will waive the \$10 fee if the owner of the automobile can verify that their vehicle was in storage.

The legislation has been referred to the Committee on Transportation.

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